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For: COMPOUNDS HAVING LECTINIC PROPERTIES AND THEIR
BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITIES

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Advisory Action of October 22, 2002, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following claim amendments to place the case in condition for allowance.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please enter the following amended versions of claims 76, 86, 95 and 97-105 into the record.

76. (Thrice Amended) A therapeutic agent for stimulating the immune system comprising an isolated peptide or protein having lectinic properties and comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:5, and a pharmaceutical excipient.

86. (Thrice Amended) A therapeutic agent for stimulating the immune system comprising an isolated peptide or protein and a pharmaceutical excipient, wherein the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:5 comprises the amino acid sequence of the peptide or protein, wherein the peptide or protein has lectinic properties, and wherein the peptide or protein is recognized by an antibody specific to an isolated peptide or protein having lectinic properties and comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:5.